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PATENT APPLICATION  
Docket No. 11675.23

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

## NOTICE OF APPEAL

Commissioner for Patents  
P.O. Box 1450  
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

Pursuant to 37 C.F.R. § 1.191, Applicants hereby appeal from the decision of the Examiner rejecting pending claims 1-15 and 31-33 contained in the Office Action mailed November 6, 2003. Applicants appeal the decision of the Examiner with respect to each of the pending claims 1-15 and 31-33.

Credit Card Payment Form PTO-2038 is enclosed authorizing the amount of \$1,280.00 to cover the payment of the fees with respect to this Notice of Appeal and a three-month extension of time.

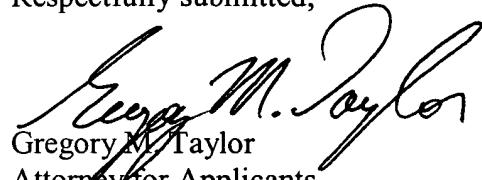
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The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any additional fee or to credit any overpayment in connection with this Petition to Deposit Account No. 23-3178. Duplicate copies of this Notice of Appeal are attached.

Dated this 6<sup>th</sup> day of May 2004.

Respectfully submitted,

  
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